1999-2000. The differences between the two estimates are due to the significant difference in the methodology of estimation adopted and hence no comparisons can be made.

Action Plan for Orissa

3076. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the different action plans implemented for the people of KBK districts in Orissa as on date:

(b) the Central assistance provided and actual amount spent so far; and

(c) in what ways the people of those districts have benefited and developed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) In addition to the normal schemes being implemented by the Government of Orissa as part of their Annual Plans, the Government of India have initiated the Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana which, *inter-alia,* includes then Special Plan for the KBK districts of Orissa. The Special Plan for the KBK districts of Orissa for the year 2002-03 comprises of schemes relating to Drought Proofing, Livelihood Support, Support for Disadvantaged Groups, Health and Rural Connectivity for the benefit of the people of the region. A sum of Rs. 100 crore has been allocated under the Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana for this Special Plan. First Instalment of Special Central Assistance of Rs. 50 crore has already been released to the State Government. Further release of funds would depend on factors such as progress of schemes, submission of progress reports, etc.

Central Assistance to Assam

3077. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to increase the Central assistance for Assam for economic development during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) Central Assistance provided to Assam during 2000-01 and 2001-02 were Rs. 1520.19 crore and Rs. 1661.09 crore respectively. Rs. 1962.99 crore has been allocated for the current year 2002-03. Hence, Government had taken steps to increase Central Assistance to Assam for its economic development during the last two years.

Government's Development Plan

3078. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had constituted a Group of Ministers to draw out a plan to make India a "Fully developed" nation in the fullest sense of the term within the shortest time frame; and

(b) if so, the steps taken so far in that direction by the Group of Ministers and the time-frame within which the Group of Ministers has to prepare the blueprint of such a plan of action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

State Plan-outlay for Tenth Five Year Plan

3079. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a)whether State plan-outlay for the Tenth FiveYear Plan for Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh have been finalised;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total outlay, sector-wise; and

(c) the agricultural industrial and overall economic growth rate contemplated there-under and how the same compare with the contemplated overall national growth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The outlays for the Tenth